RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 1793 PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 04632.0073

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yusuke Kato et al.	Group Art Unit: 1793
Application No.: 10/590,354) Examiner: Kevin E. Yoon
Filed: August 23, 2006) Confirmation No.: 8168
For: Process for Producing Cast Item)) Mail Stop AF)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 1, 2009, the period for response having been extended to May 1, 2010 (a Saturday) and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.